(b) if so, the date of adoption, and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh (S) had furnished the informations and documents essential for consideration and decision on the applications for grant of recognition; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, and if not, justification of extending facilities to RKVAS (S) despite its failure to fulfil the mandatory requirements for grant of recognition ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE *MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE* DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) and (b) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has intimated that it is yet to adopt the Central Civil Service (Representation of Service Association) Rules 1993.

(c) and (d) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has informed that the eligibility for continuing the recognition of the existing Associations will be considered based on the above Rules which are proposed to be adopted.

Cost of construction of School Buildings

1596. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether any comparative study has been made about the cost of construction of school buildings by NBCC and also by private contractor and if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether Government propose to entrust the construction work to private builders in view of the low cost, and if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE INISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) No such comparative study has been made under the aegis of Ministry of Human Resource Development.

(b) There is no proposal under consideration of Ministry of Human Resource Development to entrust the construction of school buildings to private builders.

Project to give a Boost to Industrial Research

1597. SHRI G.Y. KRISHNAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore is planning a project to give a major boost to industrial research and development for business houses in India and abroad;

(b) whether the Institute has developed a novel concept in the field of research and development by starting the Society for Innovation and Development;

(c) the nature of projects to be undertaken by the Institute and its funding by industrial houses; and

(d) how far this Society will impinge on the functioning of the Centre for Scientific and Industrial Consultancy at the above Institute already involved in industrial consultancy since 1975 ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPTT. OF EDUCATION AND DEPTT. OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The projects contemplated to be undertaken by the Society for Innovation and Development (SID) will be in the areas like Telecommunication, Manufacturing Processes, Food Processing, Software Engineering and Drug Design etc. These projects will be undertaken with the participation of industry, funding agencies and the Institute. The projects handled by the Centre for Scientific and Industrial Consultancy (CSIC) are small and medium projects directly under the Institute and hence the functions of the CSIC and SID will complement each other.

Setting up of Science Museum at Pondicherry

1593. SHRI K.M. KHAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether some move is undergoing to set up a Science Museum in the Union territory of Pondicherry to help the children to develop scientific skills, if so the details thereof;

(b) what are the details of funding to be made by the Central Government for this Museum;